

Amendments to the Specification

*Please amend the paragraph that begins on page 1, line 27, to read as follows :*

It has been previous known to this field, that rotary blood pumps may be entirely constructed from polymeric material except for the motor components. However, pumps that are entirely constructed of polymeric materials may lack the desired: wear resistance or strength, fluid impermeability and bio-resistance necessary for this type of application. These types of pumps commonly warp or distort due to fluid absorption, limiting their usefulness.